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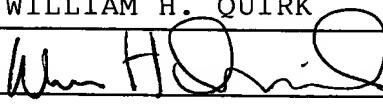
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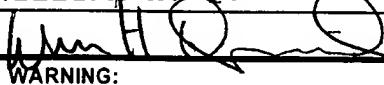
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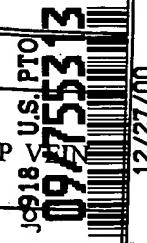
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Attorney Docket No. 8316-3B

First Inventor or Application Identifier: Bolam

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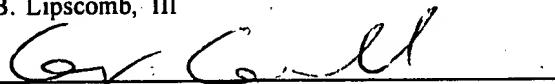
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